

Indiana Department of Revenue

Motor Carrier Services Division

Indiana Trucking Tips

Motor Carrier Calendar Notes

- Third quarter Intrastate Motor Carrier Fuel Tax (Form MCFT-101 available at www.in.gov/dor/mcs/formlist.html#mc)
- Interstate International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA-101) returns are due.

October 31, 2005

- Claims for Proportional Use Credit are due. Form MCS-1789 is available at www.in.gov/dor/mcs/formlist.html#mc

State Holidays

- Our offices will close on the following dates in observance of state holidays:

Columbus Day

October 10, 2005

Veterans Day

November 11, 2005

Thanksgiving Day

November 24-25, 2005

To learn more about Indiana Tax Amnesty, visit www.taxamnesty.IN.gov or call 1-888-EZ-TO-PAY (1-888-398-6729).

New Hours of Service

The Indiana Department of Revenue's Motor Carrier Division instituted new customer-friendly hours on August 15, 2005. New hours of operation are from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Monday – Friday.

During the Indiana Tax Amnesty period, scheduled to run from September 15 – November 15, 2005, the amnesty phone line – 1-888-398-6729 – will be open from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., on Saturday (calls only). The same division will be open for walk-in visits from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. until the end of amnesty.

For more information about the Indiana Department of Revenue, please visit our Web site at www.in.gov/dor

INDIANA'S TAX AMNESTY

No Penalties. No Interest. No Problem.

Governor Mitch Daniels kicked off Indiana Tax Amnesty on September 15. The program, which will run until November 15, 2005, is a limited-time opportunity for individuals and businesses to pay past-due taxes for periods ending prior to July 1, 2004, free of penalty, interest and collection fees — and without fear of criminal or civil prosecution. But the program will not be offered again, according to the tax amnesty bill, HEA 1004.

Billing notices for those individuals and businesses known to owe past-due taxes were issued on September 7. Eligible taxpayers who do not participate in the amnesty program face double penalties after November 15.

Permit News: Coming Soon! Electronic Oversize/Overweight Vehicle Permitting System!

Indiana is currently developing a new Web-based oversize/overweight vehicle permitting system, which will allow permits to be obtained from the Internet 24 hours a day, seven days a week. With this new system, most permits will be issued instantly (without human review) through the use of "envelope" routes. Envelope routes are predefined routes that allow a vehicle with predetermined dimensions to pass safely.

If you choose not to obtain your permits through the Internet, once the new system is up and running, you still will have the option to obtain permits from a

permitting service or to mail your permit requests to our office.

Also for your convenience, we've added new payment types: e-check, e-credit card, and escrow. In addition, we've upgraded our voice-response unit (VRU). You can still order your Special Weight permits through the VRU, but now you may also order some annual and 90-day-permit types, as well. We look forward to handling all your oversize/overweight permit needs as efficiently and safely as possible.

Visit www.in.gov/dor/mcs for updates concerning the new system.

Motor Carrier Division is 'professional and courteous'

Recently, a carrier located in Evansville submitted a letter praising Motor Carrier Services' Insurance and Safety Section.

"I just wanted you to know that in 18 years of being in business, I have never dealt with a governmental (or private) office that was more professional and courteous than yours," said Tom Hamlin, president of Hamlin Equipment Rental & Supply. "In this day and age when people are so quick to criticize and complain, I just wanted to let you know what an outstanding job that you are doing."

Please help us evaluate the service you receive from the Motor Carrier Division. Complete an online survey at:

www.in.gov/surveytool/public/survey.php?name=satisfaction

Or contact us at webmaster@dor.in.gov or (317) 615-7200. You may also write in your feedback to:

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Two New Deputy Commissioners for Revenue

Former administrator of Motor Carrier Division, Jim Poe, has been promoted to deputy commissioner, effective May 1, 2005. Many of the changes and improvements you've seen at the Motor Carrier Division over the past few years are due to Jim's leadership and vision.

Joe VanDevender, J.D., C.P.A., recently joined the Department also as a deputy commissioner on May 23, 2005.

2006 Interstate and/or Intrastate Renewals

Mailings went out in late August for your annual Interstate Single State Registration (SSRS), and/or USDOT (Intrastate) renewal applications (Form BAS-1A). Your renewal application is due in our office on or before November 30, 2005, for your credential(s) to be mailed by the end of the year.

If you have questions about your renewal, please contact our office at (317) 615-7350 or e-mail Sandy Bowling at sbowling@dor.IN.gov

PLEASE NOTE: If you are a private carrier of nonhazardous materials you will ***not*** receive a 2006 renewal, because private nonhazardous materials carriers are required to register only once.

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